Introduced by Senator Padilla

February 14, 2011

An act to amend Section 66747 of the Education Code, relating to public postsecondary education.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 292, as amended, Padilla. Public postsecondary education: community colleges: transfers.

The Student Transfer Achievement Reform Act requires the California State University to guarantee admission with junior status to a community college student who meets the requirements for the associate degree for transfer. A student admitted to the California State University pursuant to the act is entitled to receive priority over all other community college transfer students, excluding community college students who have entered into a transfer agreement between a community college and the California State University prior to the fall term of the 2012–13 academic year.

Existing law states the intent of the Legislature that specified categories be followed, insofar as practicable, in numeric order for the purposes of enrollment planning and admission priority practice at the undergraduate resident student level for the California State University and the University of California.

This bill would require that students admitted to the California State University pursuant to the act receive priority for purposes of enrollment, if the students have met the requirements of an approved transfer agreement consistent with this priority.

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Existing law establishes the 3 segments of public postsecondary education in this state. These segments include the California State University, the campuses of which are administered by the Trustees of the California State University, the University of California, which is administered by the Regents of the University of California, and the California Community Colleges, which are administered by the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges.

Existing law establishes community college districts throughout the state, and authorizes them to provide instruction to students at community college campuses.

Existing law, known as the Donahoe Higher Education Act, authorizes the community colleges to grant associate in arts and associate in science degrees. The act also requires the regents, the trustees, and the board of governors to have as a fundamental policy the maintenance of a healthy and expanded program to increase the number of transfer students from community colleges.

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation relating to the requirements for student transfers from the California Community Colleges to the California State University and the University of California.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no-yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 66747 of the Education Code is amended 2 to read:
- 3 66747. Notwithstanding Chapter 4 (commencing with Section
- 4 66201), the California State University shall guarantee admission
- 5 with junior status to any a community college student who meets
- 6 all of the requirements of Section 66746. Admission to the
- 7 California State University, as provided under this article, does
- 8 not guarantee admission for specific majors or campuses. 9 Notwithstanding Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 66201),
- 10 the California State University shall grant a student priority
- admission to his or her local California State University campus
- and to a program or major that is similar to his or her community
- 13 college major or area of emphasis, as determined by the California
- 14 State University campus to which the student is admitted. A student
- 15 admitted under this article shall receive priority in enrollment in

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1 accordance with Section 66202 over all other community college 2 transfer students, excluding community college students who have 3 entered into a transfer agreement between a community college 4 and the California State University prior to the fall term of the 5 2012–13 academic year. A student admitted pursuant to this article 6 shall have met the requirements of an approved transfer agreement 7 consistent with Section 66202.

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SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation relating to the requirements for student transfers from the California Community Colleges to the California State University and the University of California.